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SUBJECT: REPORTS OF POLLUTION FROM US CATALYTIC CONVERTERS

REFERENCE: TOKYO 1475

1. CURRENT EPA FINDINGS ON PUBLIC HEALTH SIGNIFICANCE OF SULFURIC ACID EMISSIONS FROM CARS EQUIPPED WITH OXIDATION CATALYSTS ARE REPORTED IN TWO PAPERS RECENTLY RELEASED BY EPA. PAPERS ARE: "ESTIMATED PUBLIC HEALTH IMPACT AS A RESULT OF EQUIPPING LIGHT-DUTY MOTOR VEHICLES WITH OXIDATION CATALYSTS", DATED JANUARY 30, 1975, AND "ESTIMATES OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH BENEFITS AND RISKS ATTRIBUTABLE TO EQUIPPING LIGHT DUTY MOTOR VEHICLES WITH OXIDATION CATALYSTS", DATED FEBRUARY 1, 1975.

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2. THESE REPORTS PRESENT EPA'S CURRENT TECHNICAL ASSESS-

MENT OF DATA NOW AVAILABLE ON AUTOMOTIVE SULFATE EMISSIONS. WHILE MANY OF THE BASIC STUDIES ARE STILL IN PROGRESS, THESE REPORTS WERE RELEASED AT THIS TIME BECAUSE OF RELEVANCE TO CURRENT CONSIDERATION BY EPA OF AUTO MANUFACTURER REQUESTS FOR SUSPENSION OF THE 1977 STATUTORY U.S. AUTO EMISSION STANDARDS AND UPCOMING CONSIDERATION BY THE U.S. CONGRESS OF RECOMMENDATIONS FOR FURTHER DELAYS OF STATUTORY AUTO EMISSION STANDARDS.

3. EPA HAS ANNOUNCED EXTENSION OF ONGOING PUBLIC HEARINGS ON AUTO EMISSIONS TO FOCUS SPECIFICALLY ON AUTOMOTIVE SULFATE EMISSIONS BEGINNING FEBRUARY 18, 1975. AT THESE HEARINGS EPA WILL RECEIVE COMMENT FROM AUTO MANUFACTURERS AND OTHERS ON THEIR VIEWS REGARDING THE HEALTH IMPACT OF AUTO SULFATE EMISSIONS. UNTIL THE HEARINGS ARE COMPLETED AND EPA HAS REVIEWED DATA PRESENTED IN THE PAST SEVERAL WEEKS OF HEARINGS, EPA'S COURSE OF ACTION ON THIS CANNOT BE CHARTED.

4. FIVE COPIES OF REPORTS POUCHED. INGERSOLL

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